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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor David Dermer and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: February 6, 2006

SUBJECT: Teen Club Coast Guard Adventure

Members of the North Shore Teen Club got a first hand look at America's Homeland Security preparedness January 14, 2006, with a visit to the United States Coast Guard Station, Miami Beach. The daylong adventure for the 23-teens and their coaches included a tour of the Control Center with its camera surveillance system of the Port of Miami and local waterways aimed at preventing drug smuggling and illegal immigration, and protecting cruise and commercial shipping into and out of the area.

Attached photos show the teens patrolling the harbor aboard a Coast Guard cutter, where they were thrilled to take turns at the helm under the supervision of their seafaring hosts. The teens and their coaches enjoyed a brown bag lunch with Captain James Maes, Miami Sector Commander, who shared his personal experiences in the security and life-saving service, and described Coast Guard career opportunities the boys and girls might consider.

You are cordially invited to visit our facilities and experience firsthand the recreational programs that offer something for every member of the family.

Please mark your calendar to join us for the following Parks & Recreation Department events:

- Movie in the Park, Friday, 6:00 p.m., February 10, 2006, North Shore Park
- Black History Awareness Night, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Friday, February 24, 2006, North Shore Youth Center
- "From Beulah to Beauty", 7:00 p.m., Saturday, February 25, 2006, 21st Street Recreation Center
- Movie in the Park, 6:00 p.m., Friday, March 10, 2006, Muss Park
- Flamingo Park Duathlon, 7:00 a.m., Saturday, March 18, 2006,
- North Shore Players present "Is It Too Hard To See", 7:00 p.m., Friday, North Shore Youth Center+

Should you have additional questions, please contact Kevin Smith at (305) 673-7730.

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Attachment

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